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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of area under cultivation of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) and the National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) are under implementation to enhance the acreage and production of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for the purpose and the achievements made thereunder during the last three years and the current year, State,
scheme and crop-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide incentives to the farmers and impart training to them to grow the said crops and reduce their import in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the best hybrid quality seeds of the said crops developed and provided to the farmers to improve their production, quality and availability in the country during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): The area under cultivation of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize in the country during 2014-15 and 2015-16 is as given below:

(Area in '000 hectares)
Crops 2014-15 2015-16
Oilseeds 25596.2 26134.5*
Pulses 23552.7 25259.4*
Oil palm 286.6** 300.9**
Maize 9185.4 8691.2*
*4th advance estimate.**Cumulative area under oil palm by the end of
2014-15 and 2015-16.

State wise details of area coverage is at Annexure I.

(b): Yes, Madam. National Food Security Mission(NFSM) is being implemented to enhance production of food grains including pulses and coarse cereals(maize) through area expansion and productivity enhancement. National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm(NMOOP) is also being implemented to increase production and productivity of oilseeds and bringing additional area under oil palm cultivation. Assistance is available for various interventions viz seed production/distribution, seed minikits, transfer of technology including cluster demonstration and training, efficient water application tools, micro nutrients & soil ameliorants, bio-pesticides, farm machineries and farm implements etc. to increase production of oilseeds, pulses, maize and area expansion of oil palm under NFSM and NMOOP. Besides, under NMOOP assistance is also available for planting materials and maintenance of oil palm and for plantation & maintenance of tree borne oilseeds.

(c): Details of funds allocated, released and utilized under NFSM (pulses and maize) and NMOOP & ISOPOM (oilseeds and oil palm) during 2013-14 to 2016-17 are at Annexure-II & III. The target and achievements in terms of production of oilseeds, pulses & maize and area coverage of oil palm are as given below:

(production in lakh tonnes, area '000 hectares)
Crops 2013-14
2014-15
2015-16

2016-17
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Oilseeds 310.0 327.49 330.00 275.11 330.00 253.03* 350.00
Pulses 190.00 192.55 195.00 171.50 200.50 164.67* 207.50
Maize 175.50 242.60 230.00 241.73 237.50 218.06* 245.00
Oil palm
(area) 41.35 23.18 28.15 17.67 27.34 14.39 30.06
T-Target, A-Achievements. *4th adv. est.

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During 2014-15 and 2015-16 production and area coverage of these crops were affected by drought and unseasonal rainfall.

(d): Yes, Madam. Under NFSM and NMOOP there are provisions for training of farmers to provide training on new technologies and various crop management practices. Assistance for farmers training is available under NFSM @Rs.14,000 per training for a group of 30 farmers for four sessions and under NMOOP @Rs.24,000 per training for a batch of 30 farmers for 2 days.

(e): There is provision for support for production and distribution of hybrid and high yielding varieties to the farmers under NFSM and NMOOP. Under NMOOP hybrid seeds of castor(GCH-7) and sunflower(DRSF-113 & KBSH-41, 53) were allocated to the states under minikits programme. List of quality varieties/hybrids produced by ICAR is at Annexure-IV.